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MUZRAI SECRETARIAT.

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Subject.

His Holiness the Sri Sringeri Jagadguru's visit to - Sreerangapatam.

From

The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.

No. 513 Dated 24th June 1907.

In the programme of His Holiness the Sri Sringeri Jagadguru's tour in the Mysore Dt--- during the months of June and July 1907 Sreerangapatam has not been included. A copy of the programme is put up. From the programme it appears -- that His Holiness goes to Paschimavahini from Mandya on the 28th instant and halts there on the --- 29th.

The Deputy Commissioner states -- that one of the leading sahukars at Sreerangapatam

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intends to invite His Holiness to Sreerangapatam for Padapuje and bhiksha and requests that formal sanction of Government be obtained to take His Holiness to the Fort as desired by the public.

From the Amildar's report it appears that when His Holiness visited the Sreerangapatam Tk in 1891, he was put up in Paschimavahini and came to the Amildar Mr. Lakshminaranappa's house in the Sree -rangapatam Fort for Padapuje and bhiksha. The Swami visited Sreerangapatm in 1895 also. Printed copies of 2 orders issued in July 1895 and January 1896 regarding the Swami's visit to the Sri Ranganathaswami's temple at Sreerangapatam in 1895 are herewith submitted for reference.

Muzrai Secretary's Remarks.

I am of the humble opinion that no Government order is necessary for His Holiness the Swami's visiting Sreerangapatam at the request of the residents of that place. He is at liberty to

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go to Sreerangapatam or anywhere else at his ---- pleasure.

His Holiness does not seem to have gone to the Sri Ranganathaswami temple when he visited --- Sreerangapatam in 1891 but when he visited it in 1895 he went to that temple and there were some complaints from some of the Sreevyshnavas as will be seen from the printed copies put up.

There seems to be no room for apprehend-ing such disturbance this time, because it may be inferred from the Deputy Commissioner's letter that His Holiness will put up in the Sri Gangadhareswaraswami temple and is not likely to visit any of the Vishnu temples at Sreerangapatam.

Submitted with a Draft.

Submitted to the Dewan

thro' the 2nd Councillor.

25th June 1907.

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READ THE FOLLOWING :—

(1) Petitions from Sreenivasiengar and other Sri Vaishnava Brahmins of Seringapatam, dated 16th June 1895, from the Agent of the Sri Parakalaswami Matt, dated 2nd July 1895, and from Sreenivasiengar as Honorary Secretary of "Akhila Vaishnava Mahajana Sabha," Mysore, dated 13th July 1895, complaining of certain alleged incidents on the visit of the Swami of the Sri Sringeri Matt to the Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Seringapatam, on the morning of 10th June 1895, and asking for certain purification ceremonies to be performed on account of such alleged incidents.

(2) Petitions from Subba Bhatt and other Smartha Brahmins of Seringapatam, dated 30th June 1895; and from Ramasastri and others, dated 2nd July 1895, protesting against the performance of any purification ceremonies.

(3) A letter from the Swami of the Sri Parakala Matt, without date (received on 2nd July 1895), to Her Highness the Maharani-Regent, asking that the purification ceremonies in question may be performed

READ ALSO :—

The following letter from the Deputy Commissioner of Mysore, to the Secretary to the Government of Mysore in the Muzrai Department, No 12, dated 6th July 1895 :—

"With reference to your letter of to-day, enquiring what took place in the Ranganathaswami temple at Seringapatam when His Holiness the Jagatguru of the Sri Sringeri Matt visited it on the 10th June 1895, I beg to state as follows :—

2. "When His Holiness' visit to the temple was announced, the Parpattegar of the temple showed some anxiety. I told him that nothing hurtful to anybody would take place and asked him to see that no usual honor was omitted to be shown.

3. "When His Holiness arrived in a palanquin at the outer gate (or the Gopurabagal) of the temple, some of the temple people (I believe the Parpattegar and the Archak) who came there with the Sri Shadagopa wanted His Holiness to alight from the palanquin. But His Holiness' Agent (who, I believe, was called by His Holiness as Yagneswara) said in the presence of His Holiness that it was not their custom to do so As this statement received confirmation from His Holiness' silence, I asked the said temple servants not to press the point. They then kept quiet and thereupon, after the usual honors, His Holiness proceeded in the palanquin and we all went round the temple in the outer Prakara which has no roof. When the palanquin arrived again at the pole called the Garudakambha whence we had started, His Holiness alighted and proceeded into the temple with Pâdukê up to the inner pole or Garudakambha. There the Pâdukê was left and His Holiness went in, all of us accompanying. His Holiness stood just after the Stapanapeeta and I was by His Holiness' side, the others being close to us. The Archika made the Arti and we all made the usual namaskaram when it was shown to us. Then the Swami took a handful of rupees from a person that was near and with a Thulasidala which the Archika was asked to give, threw it all from where he was standing. They fell at the feet of a female image on the skirts of its seerê. Then we were desired to go out, and when I enquired why, I was informed that Grahastas should not be present when Yetees make namaskaram. The Archika showed unwillingness to leave his place. Then His Holiness prepared himself to make namaskaram even in his presence, but on my saying that nothing exceptional would take place and that it behoved us to comply with such an unobjectionable request, the Archika left his position and came to my side. A curtain was then held and within 10 or 15 seconds it was drawn back. As I was by the side of His Holiness (the Archika being my side) I saw what took place within the curtain and I have no doubt that the Archika also must have seen it all. His Holiness merely bowed just where he was standing and then said that the curtain might be withdrawn. Then His Holiness went round the inner Prakara without the Pâdukê, although a servant of his offered it to him when he came out from inside to the inner Garudakambha. We then went to Ammanavaragudi *and the above ceremony was gone through there also Then we all returned,* His Holiness presenting a handful of rupees to the temple servants As the Parpattegar had shown some anxiety in the beginning, I asked him and the Archika while leaving the temple if it was all right and both of them said "Yes," apparently much pleased But day before yesterday I got a report from the Parpattegar (through the Sub-Division Officer of French Rocks) that the Agent of the Sri Parakala Matt, who was taking Tirtha as usual after the said visit, had recently omitted to receive it as per orders of His Holiness Sree Parakalaswami. These are the facts within my cognizance."

No. 127, DATED BANGALORE, 29TH JULY 1895.

ORDER THEREON.—On the morning of the 10th June 1895, the Swami of the Sri Sringeri Matt on his way from Bangalore to Mysore paid a visit to the Sri Ranganathaswami temple at Seringapatam For a few days after the Swami's visit the Puja and other services in the temple were carried on as usual. But about the fifth or the sixth day a report was spread by some persons that the Swami on the occasion of his visit to the temple had performed the Puja himself by touching the idol. In consequence, the Vaishnava residents of the place met and agreed not to receive *Tirtham* or *Prasadam* in the temple until a purification ceremony was performed.

2. The Muzrai Superintendent then proceeded to Seringapatam on the 23rd June 1895, and instituted a careful enquiry as to what really occurred at the place on the occasion of the Sri Sringeri Swami's visit to the temple in the presence of the principal local residents including Sri Vaishnavas and Madhavas. At that enquiry it was clearly established that on the visit of the Sri Sringeri Swami nothing happened to which any objection could reasonably be taken, even from the point of view of Vaishnava temple ritualism. One important proof then received was the report of the Agent of the Sri Parakala Matt to the Swami of that Matt, dated 11th June 1895, describing what occurred on the occasion of the Sri Sringeri Swami's visit to the temple on the previous day in the following terms:—

> "The Sringeri Swami stood *near the Garbhagudi*. The *Archak* performed the *Kumpaharathi* The Swami scattered rupees on the pedestal of the Utsava (processional) images in front of the main idol and got the Archak to give him *Thulasi* from the foot of the idol. A screen was held, behind which the Swami made his *Namaskaram* to the idol, the *Archak*, *Paricharak* and *Staniks* standing on one side. The Swami did not touch the idol. I was present close by."

When the foregoing report, which the Sri Parakala Matt's Agent admitted as having been written by himself and containing a true version of what took place on the occasion of the Sri Sringeri Swami's visit to the temple, was read out to the persons assembled, they at once saw the futility of their objections to receive the *Tirtham* and most of the residents began receiving the *Tirtham* as usual.

3. Again, on the direct representation of the Sri Parakalaswami to Her Highness the Maharani-Regent on the 2nd July 1895, that a purification ceremony should be performed in the temple, a further careful enquiry into the matter was instituted, and the facts being as reported in the Deputy Commissioner's report above read, No. 12, dated 6th July 1895, Her Highness the Maharani-Regent decided that the prayer for the performance of purification ceremonies was groundless and unreasonable and caused such decision to be personally explained to the Sri Parakalaswami by the Muzrai Superintendent on the 6th July 1895

4. It only remains now to place on record the final decision as above with a correct version of what really took place on the occasion of the Sri Sringeri Swami's visit to the temple, for communication to the petitioners who have apparently been misled by the misrepresentations got up by some designing persons from motives of malice and envy. The well-known fact that the Sri Sringeri Swami has, on other occasions, performed Puja in some of the Vishnu temples, doubtless served to impart an air of plausibility to the misrepresentations above mentioned and thereby the more readily to mislead the unenquiring. Fortunately the present case is one for the decision of which no consideration is necessary of the general question whether a Matadhipathi can, according to the Agamas binding on the Brahmins following the Vedic rituals, perform Puja in a temple where the services are regulated by the Agamas, or the particular question whether the Sri Sringeri Swami has any, and what special privileges in this respect according to custom. For the purpose of the present decision it is sufficient to observe that the Sri Sringeri Swami's visit of the 10th June last was not paid with the object of performing Puja. The Swami was travelling in his palanquin borne by Sudra bearers and was clad for the journey, and visited the temple as laymen do to prostrate before the idol when passing the temple. Had the Swami's visit been to perform the Puja himself, he would have had to undergo, as is well-known, certain elaborate ablutions and dress himself differently.

The Swami did not make these preliminary preparations, because he never intended to perform the Pûja himself; and it is beyond doubt that he did not go nearer the idol than the Deputy Commissioner and numbers of others present did on this occasion, or Brahmin or Ursu gentlemen generally do when they visit the temple without the preliminary purification of bathing and change of clothes.

5. The Sri Parakalaswami has been doubtless misled by the alleged depositions of the Archaks given on the 18th June 1895, before certain persons styling themselves the representatives of the Vaishnava community The Muzrai Superintendent will be directed to enquire whether the Archaks did really give the depositions imputed to them and, after taking their explanation as to how they came to make statements so directly opposed to the truth, to take adequate notice of their conduct.

6. It is only necessary to add that the Sri Sringeri Swami's *mamul* route to Paschimavahini lay outside Seringapatam Fort. When near the Seringapatam Fort, the Swami allowed himself to be persuaded after the expression of considerable reluctance on his part to pass through the streets of the Fort at the earnest and pressing entreaty of the Deputy Commissioner Mr. B. K. Venkatavaradiengar and others present. Similar entreaty appears to have been used to induce the Swami, when within the Fort, to visit the temple The Deputy Commissioner's action was doubtless prompted by a desire to please the people and to show proper consideration and respect to the Swami whom he was escorting to the palace; and it is sufficient to point out to him that it was his duty to have obtained the previous orders of Government before deviating from the *mamul* route for such an occasion.

A. SRINIVASSACHARLU,
Secretary.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

MUZRAI

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 29th July 1895

No. 127

Passing orders on the visit of the Sri Sringeri Swami to the Sri Ranganatha-swami temple at Seringapatam.

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READ AGAIN —

Government Proceedings No. 127, dated 29th July 1895, declining to direct the performance of a purification ceremony in the Sri Ranganathaswami Temple at Sreerangapatam on account of certain incidents alleged to have taken place therein on the occasion of the Sri Sringeri Swami's visit to the temple on the 10th June 1895.

READ —

Memorials, dated 1st September and 10th October 1895, from certain members of the Vaishnava community styling themselves 'Akhila Vaishnava Mahajana Sabha,' to Her Highness the Maharani-Regent, praying for a re-consideration of the orders conveyed in the above.

No. 723, DATED, BANGALORE, 17TH JANUARY 1896.

ORDER THEREON —Her Highness the Maharani-Regent after the fullest enquiry, has arrived at the conclusion that no grounds exist for any alteration of the orders conveyed in Government Proceedings No 127, dated 29th July 1895, refusing to direct any *Samprokshané* in the Sri Ranganathaswami Temple at Sreerangapatam This enquiry has proved beyond all doubt the two main facts adverted to in the Order of Government above quoted—namely, that the Sree Sringeri Swami, on the occasion of his visit to the said temple, did not proceed beyond the point up to which all caste Hindus are admitted without any question, and that what he then did in the temple amounted to the offer of a *Kanikè* and not to the performance of a Puja

2. The Memorials above read are accordingly rejected.

By Order of the Mysore Government,

A SREENIVASSACHARLU,
Secretary, Mudrai Department.

To—The Deputy Commissioner, Mysore District.

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

MUZRAI

PROCEEDINGS

Dated 17th January 1896

No. 723

Rejecting the Memorials of the Akhila Vaishnava Mahajana Sabha praying for performance of *Samprokshane* in the Sri Ranganathaswami Temple at Sreerangapatam.

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From Assistant Govt Agent
Tellicherry Commissionerate
Malabar District

To
The Chief Secretary to Govt
Fort St George

Dated 23rd June 1907

Despatched 24th June 1907

Received

General No. 513
No. --

Rec'd 5 p.m.
24/6/07

Enclosure No. 3

Requests that Govt sanction may be accorded to take the Srimangalam to Fort-at-Seringapatam

No. 40

To

L. Anantha Sami Rao Esquire B.A.
Secretary to Government
Inam Department

Sir,

In submitting herewith for favour of information a copy of letter No. 740 dated 23rd June 07 and its enclosures in original, received from the Amildar of the Seringapatam Taluk, stating that the leading Sahukar of the place named Chowbini Siddiah intends to invite His Holiness the Sree Sringeri Swamigalavaru to the Fort at Seringapatam for Padapuja & Bhiksha, and requesting that, if necessary, orders of Government might be obtained to take the Swamigalavaru to the Fort, I have the honor to state that I see no objection to the proposal made.

I therefore request that formal sanction of Government might be obtained at an early date to take the Swamigalavaru to the Fort at Seringapatam as desired by the public.

The programme received from the Agent of the Sri Math does not mention the visit of the Sri Swamigalavaru to Seringapatam (Vide copy attached). I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient servant
[signature]
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District.

H.A.

No. 740
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Taluk Office
Seeringapatam
Dated 23rd June 1907

From

The Amildar
Seeringapatam Taluk

To

The Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District

Sir

With reference to the visit of Sree Sringeri Swami to this place, I respectfully beg to submit herein a copy of ~~the~~ Sha Amal of Sree Ranganatha Swami, recorded on the 10th June 1895, during the last visit of His Holiness, received from the Peshkar of the Inamdar institutions for your kind perusal.

The leading Sowkar of the place by name Chowbina Siddaih means to invite His Holiness to the Fort, for Padapuja and Bhiksha on the 29th inst. and His Holiness will be put up, for the time, at Gangadharswami temple where the Padapuja and Bhiksha

whatever for doing so

In the Government Proceedings No. 12 dated 29th July 1895 it is stated in para 6 "It is only necessary to add that the Sri Sringeri Swami's Kamool route to Paschimavahini lay outside Seringapatam Fort. When near the Seringapatam Fort, the Swami allowed himself to be persuaded after the expression of considerable reluctance on his part to pass through the streets of the Fort at the earnest and pressing entreaty of the Deputy Commissioner Mr. B. K. Venkata Varada Iyengar and others present. Similar entreaty appears to have been used to induce the Swami, when within the Fort, to visit the temple. The Deputy Commissioner's action was doubtless prompted by a desire to please the people and to show proper consideration and respect to the Swami whom he was escorting to the Palace,

and

and it is sufficient to point out to him that it was his duty to have obtained the previous orders of Government before deviating from the mamool route for such an occasion."

This I beg to submit refers only to the mamool route of the Swami to Paschimavahini but cannot mean that the permission of the Government is necessary for the visit of the Swami to the place itself.

On another occasion in 1891 while the Swami visited this Taluk, He was as usual put up, in Paschimavahini, the then Amildar Mr. B. Lakshminarana-ppa invited him for Padapuja and He came to his house in the Fort and the Padapuja and Bhiksha was performed there.

Taking this into consideration I make myself bold to say that though

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lies outside the Fort- Yet it is a
for His Holiness to visit the Fort to afford
an opportunity to the public to perform
Pudapuja and under these circumstances
I beg to submit that the permission of the
Government does not seem necessary
to be obtained in this case and in case
that it is deemed necessary, I respectfully
beg to submit that it may be obtained
at an early date so as not to disappoint
the Public on the occasion.

I beg to remain
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
Sd. M. Syed Yakoob
Amildar.

Copy.

Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District.

B.A.

ಶ್ರೀ ಶಂಕರಾಚಾರ್ಯ ಸಂಸ್ಕೃತ ವಿಶ್ವವಿದ್ಯಾಲಯ ಕಾಲಟಿ - ಶಿಕ್ಷಕ ಆಯ್ಕೆ

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25-6-07	Channapatna	Maddur.	
26th.	Maddur	Mandya.	
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29th.		Halt.	
30th.	Paschimavahini	Mysore.	
1.7.07 to 11.7.07		Halt.	
12th.	Mysore	Nanjangud.	
13th & 14th.		Halt.	
15th.	Nanjangud	T. Narsipur.	
16th		Halt.	
17th.	T. Narsipur	Yelandur.	
18th.		Halt.	
19th.	Yelandur	Chamarajnagar	
20th & 21st.		Halt.	
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23rd	Attigulapura	Hadanur.	
24th	Hadanur	Satyamangala.	Coimbatore Dist.

Copy of the above is forwarded to
for information and guidance in continuation
of Govt. Progs: No: G. 3497-G.M.184-06-3, dated
the 4th December 1906, forwarded with this office
Circular No: 41 (Revenue) dated the 12th December 1906.

Bg. 19th June 1907.

"Copy"

(Sd) M. Kantharaj Urs
Deputy Commissioner
Mysore District.

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From,

The Secretary to Government,

Muzrai Department.

Camp No. (S)
Dy 26th June 1907

To,

The Deputy Commissioner,

Mysore District.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 513, dated 24th June 1907, soliciting the formal sanction of Government to His Holiness the Sri Sringeri Jagadguru visiting Sreerangapatam Fort on the 29th instant, to receive Pada puje and Bhiksha from certain persons there, I am directed to inform you that Government no orders of ~~orders~~ are ~~not~~ necessary for the purpose. His Holiness is at liberty to go to Sreerangapatam or anywhere else at his pleasure, at the desire of his disciples or of the public.

2 If the Swami decides upon going to the Sreerangapatam Fort, the --

Officers for the visit, and he may be ac-
Sri Ganapathiswaraswami
commodated in the temple as suggested in

your communication.

I have &c

SECRETARY.

Camp 17th I.

Muzrai Department.

25/10/07

Copy forwarded to the Agent of the Sri Sringeri Matt for information.

By order

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